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FOR AMBASSADOR L. DEAN BROWN FROM CHARGE

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SUBJ RESETTLEMENT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

REF STATE 97854

1. POINTS IN REFTEL WERE MADE TODAY BY CHARGE TO R.L. ROGERS, DIRECTOR GENERAL, BUREAU OF ASIAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS EXTAFF, WHO IS MANAGING GOC'S VIETNAMESE-CAMBODIAN EVACUATION EFFORT. PITCH FOR GOC ASSISTANCE WAS PRECEDED BY CHARGE'S REFERENCE TO WHAT GOC IS ALREADY PLANNING TO DO TO HELP, BUT REQUEST WAS THEN MADE FOR ADDITIONAL GOC ASSISTANCE. ROGERS SAID HE WAS SURE GOC WOULD HELP.

2. ROGERS SAID THAT CURRENT ESTIMATES OF VIETNAMESE RELATIVES, EX-GOC EMPLOYEES, ETC., WHO MAY COME TO CANADA RANGE FROM 14,000 TO 35,000. SOME OF THEM MAY BE USG-GOC "INTERLOCKING" CASES. GOC IS PREPARED TO TAKE ANY NUMBER IN THAT RANGE OF THOSE BEARING CANADIAN "VISA LETTERS". LIST OF THOSE ISSUED SUCH LETTERS IS NOW OR SHOULD SOON BE IN HANDS OF USG OFFICIALS. LIST IS NOT TIDY, BUT SIMPLY COLLECTION OF PHOTO COPIES OF  
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LETTERS FROM THOSE IN CANADA WITH EVACUATION CANDIDATES

IN VIETNAM. GOC AGREES TO RECEIVE ANYONE WITH SUCH LETTER AS AN IMMIGRANT, THOUGH ROGERS RECOGNIZES THESE LETTERS MAY OF COURSE NOT EVEN BE IN HANDS OF ORIGINAL ADDRESSEES. AS ALREADY AGREED, GOC WILL REIMBURSE USG FOR TRANSPORTATION COSTS. GOC WILL TAKE GVN DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVE IN OTTAWA PLUS HIS RELATIVES IN VIETNAM.

3. EVEN BEYOND THESE VIETNAMESE, ROGERS SAID HE WAS SURE GOC CAN HELP WITH THOSE USG HAS ON ITS HANDS. FRANCOPHONES WOULD HAVE ESPECIALLY GOOD CHANCE. SAME SYMPATHETIC CONSIDERATION WOULD BE GIVEN CAMBODIAN REFUGEES.

4. ROGERS ASKED FOR DETAILS ABOUT WHAT NUMBERS USG EXPECTS BEYOND ITS OWN CAPABILITIES OF RESETTLEMENT AND WHERE RESETTLEMENT SITES WOULD BE IN US. HE SAID THAT IF IT WERE USEFUL, GOC COULD SEND IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS TO STAGING AREAS AT GUAM AND WAKE.

5. COMMENT: GOC HAS PLAYED PUBLIC AFFAIRS ASPECT OF ITS RAPID EXIT FROM SAIGON SO BADLY THAT IT IS EXQUISITELY DEFENSIVE ABOUT ITS SYMPATHY FOR PLIGHT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES. ACCORDINGLY, THERE IS EXCELLENT CHANCE IT WILL AGREE TO TAKE MORE EVACUEES THAN THOSE RELATED TO OR ASSOCIATED WITH CANADIAN CITIZENS OR PERMANENT RESIDENTS. JOHNSON

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